

The Artifice

Spring 2018



Newsletter of the Oklahoma Art Education Association

OAEA Mission: To provide Visual Arts Educators with a professional organization which facilitates a statewide networking community to develop, promote, and support arts education.

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A few photos from Spring 2018 - a very busy time of year!



A student's sculpture at Young Talent in Oklahoma reception on April 7th



OAEA Flag Design winners receiving awards at YPAE Feb. 24



Arts Day at the Capitol April 11

Best of Show artwork by Elgin HS student at Young People's Art Exhibit Feb 24



OAEA President's Message

Greetings

I hope you are all having a great spring and ready to close out the school year soon.

I attended the National Art Convention in Seattle, Washington in March.

I loved exploring Seattle and experiencing the vibrant art scene. The convention was very well organized with interesting keynote speakers, and panel artists. I learned so much from attending these and you can as well as they are all available for viewing anytime you want on the NEAE Website.

I watched John Grade again even though I saw him live and I loved it just as much. I encourage you to take advantage of this free professional development opportunity.

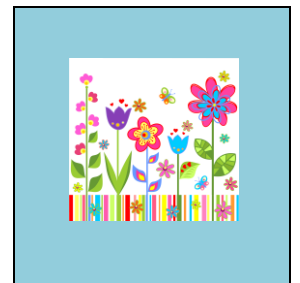
The walk-out did not provide the results we wanted but it did provide a large audience for Arts Day, with a much larger program than we could have had inside the capitol rotunda. If you did not hear Eric Lyons' (OAEA Past President) speech about the importance of the arts, it is available to watch on the Facebook page.

Remember to send all of your Youth Art Month events, exhibits etc. to the YAM committee. We will have an all member 1 day workshop in July so stay tuned for that, with more information coming soon.

Artfully, *Frances*



Frances Williams, OAEA President
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OAEA Board members at Tulsa Stained Glass workshop after meeting April 21

***Do you know an art teacher who is doing an outstanding job?
Have you been inspired by the efforts of some art teacher you know?***






If you can say “yes” to either of these questions, please nominate them for an award.

Anyone who is a member of OAEA can be nominated.

Awards in Oklahoma are given at the Fall Conference.

Nominations are welcome any time of year, and it is good to start while the school year is active since everyone is more available during school times. The absolute deadline for nominations is August 15, 2018.

The objectives of the OAEA Awards Program are:

-  To recognize excellence in the many outstanding individuals in our state;
-  To focus professional attention on quality art education and exemplary art educators;
-  To increase public awareness of the importance of quality art education;
-  To set standards for quality art education and how they can be achieved; and
-  To provide tangible recognition of achievement, earn respect of colleagues, and enhance professional opportunities for OAEA members.

An OAEA Awards Packet, consists of the following: (To get current forms for nominations, check either the OAEA web site or the NAEA web site.)

1. NAEA Nomination Form (one page)
2. Nomination Letter (one page written by person nominating)
3. NAEA Vita Form (two pages, written by nominee)
4. Two letters of recommendation from others who know the nominee (must be only one page each)
5. Photo of the nominee. Send questions and/or nominations to Bob Curtis, 2305 N. Warren Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73107. Or email to Bob at okartbob@att.net

Ranell Zurmehly, Oklahoma Art Educator of the Year 2017

RanellZurmehly has been teaching art at Carl Albert High School in Midwest City for many years and is currently the Head of the Fine Arts Department. Her education background includes a BA Degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. She has been a National Board Certified Art Teacher for Early Adolescence thru Young Adult since 2008.

Ranell has been on the OAEA Board of Directors for 4 years and is currently one of the Young Talent in Oklahoma Chairs. She helped with judging and hanging Young Talent shows for several years before joining the board.

She wrote and got approved syllabuses for AP Studio Drawing, AP Studio 2D Design, AP Art History, and AP Studio 3D Design, so elevated not only her high school, but the entire Mid-Del School District. Ranell has written and received many grants to improve the art department at Carl Albert, including two totaling \$10,000 for AP Art, three totaling \$4,000 for kiln, pug mill and wheels for ceramics, and 6 totaling \$2,400 for art supplies and other materials.

Ranell is not only a great artist herself but promotes her students widely. Her principal said, “Her ability to promote and showcase her students work is absolutely incredible.” She has three students who have received the VASE Scholarship since VASE began four years ago. Four of her former students have received Art Education Degrees, so she is spreading the talent for future students.



Portfolio Day

INVADES OKLAHOMA CITY MUSEUM OF ART

Jann Jeffrey

January 19, 2018 The day started early for museum people, higher ed. reps, and teachers who were bringing art students to the annual Portfolio Day. Twenty-seven reps from 17 colleges, universities and art institutes were loaded-down with material to give to participants and anxious for that first cup of coffee. Four reps were from out of state. We are always fortunate to have large universities, smaller universities and colleges, and junior or community colleges all meeting at one time in one place so an art student is able to gain as much information as possible. That's the purpose of this day. Oklahoma high school art students were pre-registered and had a time slot during which they would be able to show their work and talk with the reps. The students started arriving at 9:00 and the last student left the meeting room shortly after 1:15. They came from 18 towns and 22 high schools. Some students came alone while others rode a school bus or van several miles.

Juniors and seniors were able to quiz the reps about what each art department had to offer for further study. They were given information on art and design courses, cost of tuition, degree information, facilities in the art department and what the general campus offered for freshmen. It generally took about an hour for a student to go from one rep to the next. At the same time, the high school artists were able to hear another voice discuss their art work; for some, this was the only other person who had critiqued their art. Some were given some pointers and suggestions. Others were actually asked questions about their specific pieces and it became a time of self discovery. Naturally, these discussions had to be short. There were 237 students filing through that large room so no one wanted to hold up the line too long. Students were able to bring 5-10 examples of their work and they were encouraged to bring their sketch books. While it is still possible to bring a thumb drive holding their best work, the reps no longer accept viewing a cell phone screen to view the students' work---it is too SMALL and does not provide the best way to show the artwork to advantage.

The Oklahoma Art Education Association and the Oklahoma City Museum of Art have worked together for the last ten years on this joint effort. Supporting a day when high school students could talk with art reps goes back to the 1980's but now it has tripled in size and no longer wanders from one location to another. The best of all possibilities was found when the OCMOA moved to the spectacular building downtown and they offered their support in this event. The museum allows Portfolio Day to use facilities free of charge and allows all participants to end the day with a tour of the current exhibits. Through a grant, they also pay for the cost of busses and drivers for high schools sending students.

Planning for this day starts as the current one concludes. Researching the location of higher ed art departments is never-ending and locating all the reps is on-going. Contacting the state's art teachers so that they are aware of this opportunity for their own art students is immense. While starting with the list provided through the membership of OAEA, this event is not held just for members. Therefore the search starts as soon as fall classes begin. Information is distributed at the annual fall conference of the OAEA. Information is on the website of the organization as well. Registration begins to come in during September so that a specific time can be placed on the teacher's calendar.

Bryon Chambers, of the OCMOA is an essential cog in the smooth running of a day that could turn chaotic very easily. He can see ahead to solutions like an extra table or a missing student. Jann Jeffrey is the Portfolio Day Chair for OAEA and handles the registrations of students, invitations to reps and details having to do with keeping things moving. These two have worked together on this student centered project for ten years and don't plan on quitting now. They complement each other's efforts well.

Look forward to this event next year which will always take place in January (3rd weekend usually).



Young Talent in Oklahoma



Co-Chairs

Gayla Mitchell, Jime Wimmer, Ranell Zurmehly

Young Talent in Oklahoma (YTIO) is an annual statewide high school art exhibition (grades 9-12) and high school senior portfolio competition. The top 10 senior portfolios earn scholarships and prizes. The 2018 exhibit was held at Oklahoma Christian University in Edmond. The closing reception and awards ceremony were held April 7, 2018. More info is available at the YTIO website <https://oklahomaytio.weebly.com/>. More photos may be viewed on the Facebook page of OAEA on April 7, 2018.

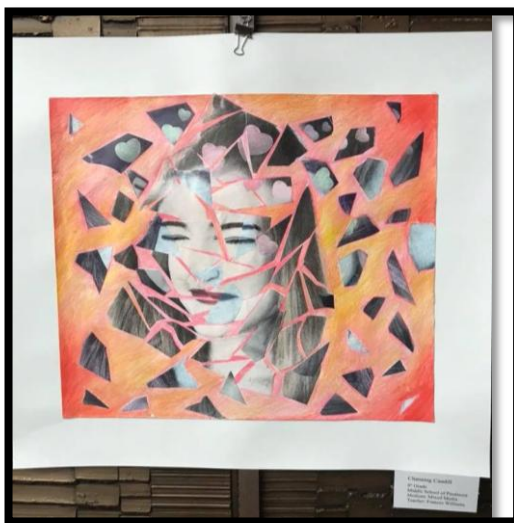
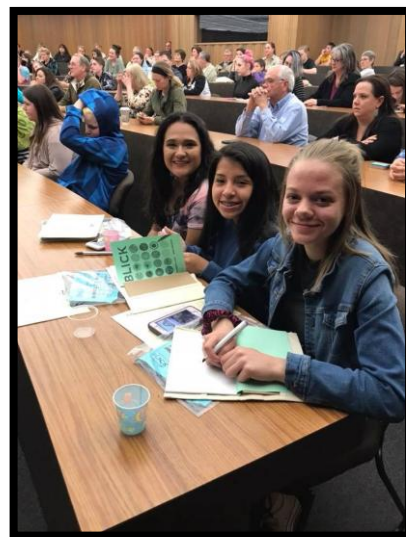
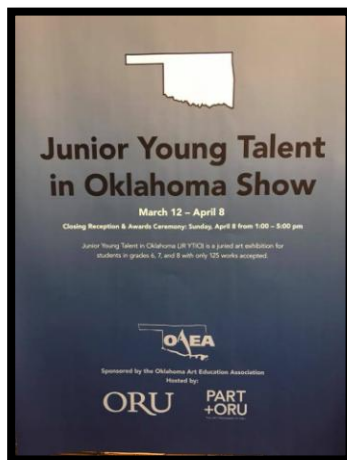


Middle Division, Jr. Young Talent in Oklahoma

Co-Chairs: Jennifer Van Patten and Holly Proctor

JUNIOR YOUNG TALENT IN OKLAHOMA 2018

Junior Young Talent in Oklahoma (JRYTIO) is a juried art exhibition for students in grades 6th, 7th, and 8th with only 125 works accepted into the show. The exhibit was held at Oral Roberts University in Tulsa. The reception and awards ceremony were held April 8, 2018.





YOUTH ART MONTH 2018

Oklahoma kicked off the Youth Art Month spring season with the **Young People's Exhibit** held at Oklahoma Contemporary. The exhibit included 217 pieces from 39 schools. We are excited about the growth of this collaborative exhibit with Sargent Art sponsoring the major awards. This year we gained many new OAEA members due to the growth and quality of the exhibit. We may be a small organization but we are a mighty advocate for arts education!

Sargent Art Award Winners:

Elementary: Adan Delora, Oakridge Elementary, Jennifer Amy Harden-Collins

Middle School: Parker Schovanec, Oklahoma Bible Academy, Layce Russell

High School: Krishna Gandhi, Mooreland High School, Bob Beatley

Overall Winner: Samantha Pratt, Elgin High School, Ruth Crittendon

The Reception and Awards Ceremony for the Young People's Art Exhibit was held on Saturday, February 24. Due to the high number of entries and the State Fire Marshal's limit for the auditorium, we had to get creative for the awards ceremony. We gave out K-8th awards at 11:30 am and High School awards at 12:30 pm. We announced the Sargent Art and Flag winners at both ceremonies.

A significant change was made to the YAM Flag Design Contest this year. It was opened up to all three grade levels: Elementary, Middle School, and High School, with the Overall Winner still rotating between the 3 grade levels. This year's overall winner was from the Middle School division.

The Overall Winner this year was Meredith Sturm, a 7th grader at All Saints Catholic School in Broken Arrow. A 3' x 5' flag with her winning design traveled to Seattle, Washington for the NAEA National Convention, March 22 - 24. Meredith's teacher is Holly Proctor.

The Elementary Winner was Carson Leonard, a 3rd grader, who is also a student at All Saints Catholic School in Broken Arrow. Carson's teacher is Holly Proctor.

The High School Winner was Lana Nguyen, a 10th grader at Bishop Kelley High School in Tulsa. Lana's teacher is Anna Kallstrom. Meredith, Carson, and Lana each received a 2' x 3' flag of their winning design. All three winners were honored and presented with their flags on February 24th at the Reception and Awards Ceremony for the Young People's Art Exhibit held at Oklahoma Contemporary Art Center.



*Young People's Art Exhibit at Oklahoma Contemporary Museum in OKC - Awards Ceremony Feb. 24.
Photo of flag contest winners is on page 1.*

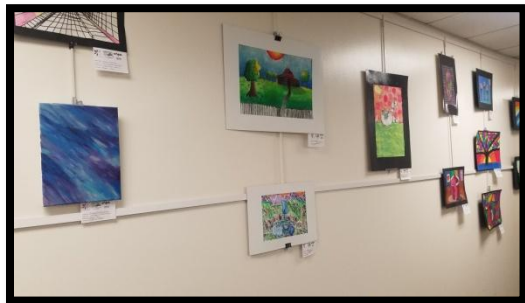


YOUTH ART MONTH 2018

YAM Co-Chairs Glenda Skinner-Noble, Ruth Crittendon, and Holly Proctor



Students and teachers at awards ceremony for Young People's Art Exhibit Feb. 24.



Thursday, March 15, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm was **Youth Art Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol**. OAEA handed out Door Hangers to our Oklahoma Legislators and encouraged them to support the Arts when they vote. Holly Proctor brought students all the way from All Saints Catholic School in Broken Arrow, Glenda Skinner-Noble brought her daughter, Ruth Crittendon brought students from Elgin, and Michele Barnes represented OKCPS. Some legislators still had their door hangers from previous years on display. What a great way to be an **ADVOCATE** for the Arts and teach your students about advocacy!

YOUTH ART MONTH 2018



Youth Art Month came to a close with the State Superintendent's Showcase. The YAM Co-Chairs plus Hannah Smith from Yukon and retired Art educator Donna Barnard hung the show on February 23 in the gallery at State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister's office. Retired Art Educator Bob Curtis had the YAM Proclamation signed by Governor Mary Fallon ready for us to display at the entrance to the Showcase. The closing Reception and Awards Ceremony was held on April 6. In spite of being held during the teacher walk out, there was a good turnout of students and parents.

The YAM Co-Chairs will be compiling a digital scrapbook in June/July. Please send us any documentation of activities, events, shows, proclamations, photographs, publicity, social media, etc. that you have for YAM. You can email your information to any of us.

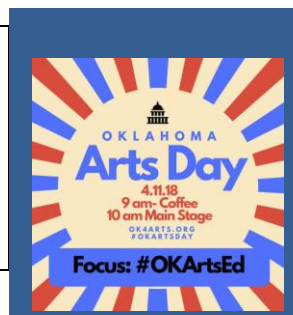
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The Annual ARTS DAY at the Capitol in Oklahoma City was well attended by many arts educators and other teachers, students, and supporters of the Arts on April 11th. Many performances, speeches, and activities were available for all in attendance. The OAEA tent featured printmaking for visitors.



Membership Notes

Sarah Carnes

Please renew your membership annually. Also set a goal to reach out to five colleagues about joining OAEA. NAEA annual membership ends in July 31, 2018. We would love to gain 30 new members for 2018. www.arteducators.org

Mark your calendars now! Monday September 6, 2018, from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM OAEA members and volunteers will hang the OSAE at Oklahoma Contemporary. This is a 1,000 piece art show. We need about 20 dedicated volunteers. Please bring a staple gun, staples, a step stool or short ladder. Contact Sarah Carnes if you can help. 405-570-6701

OAEA demos at the OK State Fair

We are needing OAEA members to demo at the State Fair of Oklahoma. Volunteer demonstrators will share a favorite medium or activity for 3 hours. OAEA members will need to commit to demonstrate for 3 hours. Each demonstrator will get a parking pass and a ticket for gate admission for all involved in the demo. We can have 8-12 demonstrators per 3 hour shifts. Saturday, September 22 shifts available 10-1, 1-4, 4-7, 7-10; Sunday, September 23, 10-2.

Last year we demonstrated block printing, Gelli Plate printing, clay, weaving, copper sculpture, digital arts, etc...Please contact Sarah Carnes to discuss demo availability and ideas. 405-570-6701

Check out the OAAE Travel Grant application for \$500 reimbursement. This is a great opportunity. www.oaae-ok.org

OAI applications will open in early August for October registration. www.oaiquartz.org (Workshops for teachers from Oklahoma Arts Institute, scholarships available.)

Remember to nominate Art Educator Colleagues for awards!

OAEA Fall Conference Presentation proposals are due in August.

The State Superintendent Awards for Arts Excellence 2018

Students received awards and scholarships for excellence in the Arts from State Superintendent of Education Joy Hofmeister in Guthrie on April 24.



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Did you know?

*Your membership in OAEA includes membership in **National Art Education Association**. The NAEA website is www.arteducators.org. Oklahoma is part of the **Western Region** which includes: Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Manitoba, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northwest Territory, Ohio, Oklahoma, Saskatchewan, South Dakota, Texas, and Wisconsin. Check all the tabs on the website for many resources and helpful information.*

*The OAEA board is made up of volunteers from all levels of teaching in public and private schools, retired and college student members, and from all areas of the state. **Please consider volunteering for a board position in the future.** Volunteers are also needed in all events.*

Donations are welcome from individuals and companies to support OAEA programs and may be mailed to:

Oklahoma Art Education Association

Amy Fiegenger, Treasurer
2609 Sunset Dr.
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Happening Around the State

From Vicki Cowger, Chickasaw Country Representative:

Several schools showcased artwork within the walls and trophy cases of their schools during the month of March. Several schools participated in local and regional art shows such as the Arbuckle Art Show and Tobachi (a HS regional show).

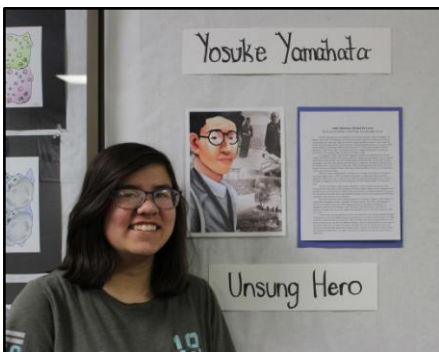
The Chickasaw Nation hosted a PEACE, LOVE, & YAM Celebration early in March showcasing student artwork, a variety of art activities (pinch pots, headbands, newspaper hats....), a Martial Arts demonstration, ECU's Dance Troupe - Collage performed several numbers.



On March 1 & 2 the wonderfully talented [Kelly Pennington](#) was a guest artist at Duncan Middle School with students of Melissa Mayo, through a program of the Chisholm Trail Arts Council.



From Coweta HS, Shelley Self Art Instructor. YPAE Artists, students at fundraiser, Unsung Hero (Milken Foundation) participant, and Art Club Display for Youth Art Month.



Happening Around the State

This year Yukon Middle School's 6th grade art department participated in many influential art projects!

In the fall of 2017 the YMS art department partnered with the local Girl Scouts to create a mural that would be a permanent installation in the school. The girl scouts painted inspirational and empowering quotes and images in the girls bathrooms in the 6th grade building.

In the spring of 2018 the YMS art department raised awareness of plastic waste usage. The kids engaged in discussion about how we as the Midwest are effected by water waste. Students collected plastic bottles that would have been thrown away, cleaned and re-purposed them with the theme " Coral Reef Awareness". Students created their own ocean creatures, not wasting any parts of the plastic bottles or recycled plastic.

In the fall of 2017 the YMS participated in Young Peoples featuring a variety of artwork from the middle school. At the show visitors could see sculptures, charcoal drawings and some scratch art. Students were invited to a special awards ceremony and closing reception.

In the spring of 2018 a select group of 30 kids were chosen to create a poster with the theme "Symbols of Hope". The posters were displayed at the Palomar Family Justice Department as well as the First Friday Paseo arts event. Yukon Middle School placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall. All students were invited to attend the reception and awards ceremony at Palomar. Students and parents toured the building. The symbols of hope poster competition is meant to inspire employees and visitors at the center. Many visitors and employees comment on how the posters make people feel more empathy and hope for difficult situations.

In the Spring of 2018 2 works were selected to be displayed at the State Superintendent's office. It is especially important to make a presence at the state level. Student work hung in the state superintendents building as part of a annual event to appreciate arts in Oklahoma. Yukon Middle School appreciates the effort that many volunteers go through to make sure the show makes an impact on a state level.

In the spring of 2018 Yukon Middle School students placed in several categories at the Junior Young Talent exhibition. Some awards included, Design Award, 3rd place, and Honorable Mention. The show was at Oral Roberts University. *From Hannah Smith, Yukon Middle School*



Save the Date!
OAEA 2018 Fall Conference
October 12-13, 2018
Oklahoma Christian University
Garvey Center
Edmond

National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in OKC

Educators' Back to School Bash

Thursday August 23

Teachers, school staff, and their families are invited to spend an evening at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum to discover what museums and student-based organizations across the Oklahoma City metro and around the state are offering in the upcoming school year. Educators and museum staff will be on hand to answer questions about **field trips, free teacher resources, special events**, and other opportunities for schools and students. Door prizes will be presented throughout the evening to teachers with identification. Light hors d'oeuvres will be provided. Admission to the event is free; registration is preferred but not required.

For more information visit
<https://nationalcowboymuseum.org/>

Message from Artifice Newsletter Editor, Donna Barnard: Several OAEA Board Member positions will be available for 2018-20 terms, including Newsletter Editor. Please consider volunteering to be on the Board. You will be glad you did! It's a great group of dedicated people who want to contribute to art education in the state. For more info contact any board member on the list on Page 11. This issue was made in Word, but other programs could be used.



Oklahoma Art Display at NAEA Convention in Seattle in March, and the YAM Flag is shown below with Sarah Carnes and Michelle Barnes.



2019 NAEA NATIONAL CONVENTION

1 City | 3 Days | 1,000+ Sessions | 5,000 Art Educators!

<https://www.arteducators.org/>

Create your ideal professional learning experience at the 2019 NAEA National Convention— March 14-16, 2019, in Boston, Massachusetts—by choosing from 1,000+ sessions, workshops, tours, and events that will inform, engage, and inspire you. This is YOUR national professional convention. It's the largest gathering of visual arts educators in the world!



OAEA 2018 CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

Speak Out For Art!

SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH OTHERS

*Those presenting will be exempt from Registration fee. (Applies only to one presenter if presentation has more than one)

The 2018 Fall Convention of OAEA will be at Oklahoma Christian University in Edmond. The dates are **Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13, 2018**. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to share some of your teaching ideas or a favorite lesson with others. If you would like to present at the conference, please fill out this form and e-mail it to **Michelle Barnes**, michellebarnes@cox.net by the deadline of **Friday, August 17th, 2018**. Presenters will be notified of the schedule by August 31, 2018. Thanks for sharing your expertise! (**The Word version of this form will be on the OAEA website**)

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TYPE OF SESSION:

COST TO PARTICIPANT:

Hands on Activity: _____ Materials Fee: _____

Demonstration: _____ (Cash payment at the door/first come basis)

Information (Lecture): _____ Participant limit: _____

LEVEL:

TIME NEEDED:

Elementary: _____ Middle School: _____ One hour: _____

Secondary: _____ Two hours: _____

All Levels: _____

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PREFERRED DAY:

(Please number 1 – 5 in order of importance with 1 being the most important)

Overhead Projector _____ Friday: _____

Slide Projector _____ Saturday: _____

Extension cord _____

Computer Projector/Screen _____

SESSION TITLE: _____

IMPORTANT: Brief description of the workshop to be printed in conference papers (25 word limit)